


Quilters Basics
Read instructions before beginning a project. All instructions include a $1 / 4$ " seam allowance.
Press as you go. Press seams in one direction

## Cutting -Label pieces as they are cut

## Fabric 1

Cut 2-91/2"xWOF strips
Subcut $8-91 / 2$ "x $91 / 2$ " squares for basket handle backgrounds
Cut 8-11"xWOF strips
Note: Cut carefully as you will use $421 / 2$ "of some strips.
Subcut 3-11"x 11 "squares from EACH strip
From the remainder of 6 strips cut $1-91 / 2$ "x $91 / 2{ }^{\prime \prime}$
square for basket handle backgrounds (to make a total of 14)
Cut 3-61/2"xWOF strips
Subcut $50-61 / 2$ "x $2 \frac{1}{2}$ " rectangles for basket blocks
Cut 2-47/8"xWOF strips
Subcut $13-47 / 8$ "x $47 / 8$ " squares cut once diagonally
for basket bottom corner



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Fabrics 16-22
are used for the stars on the alternate blocks.
Binding - Fabric 16
Cut $8-21 / 2 \mathrm{z}$ x WOF strips.

## Paper Piecing

1. Make sure the light and dark $7 " \times 15 "$ strip pairs are right sides together.
2. Cut a 5 "column" strip of half square triangle paper.
3. Center and pin paper to the layered pair. See diagram.


Stitch on dotted line and cut on solid lines to make 20 half square triangle units from each of the 7 pairs.
4. Stitch on dotted lines and cut on solid lines to make 20 half square triangle units. Press toward dark.
5. Repeat Steps 1-4 using the remaining 6 strip pairs to make a total of 140 half square triangle units. (You will need 125; save the extras for a future project.)

## Appliqué

Choose your favorite appliqué method to prepare the 14 basket handle blocks and the 24 stars for the alternate blocks.

## Basket Handle Blocks - Make 14

Note: Background triangles are slightly oversized. The basket block will be squared after assembly. The following steps are for 1 appliquéd handle block. Each block yields 2 basket handles.

1. Fold a $91 / 2$ "x $91 / 2$ " background square in half diagonally both ways. Lightly press to find the center of the block.

2. Use enclosed pattern to make a template to prepare handles from the assorted print fabrics.
3. Center handles on diagonal lines.
4. Appliqué to the background fabric using your favorite method of appliqué.
5. Using a ruler and rotary cutter, cut the block in half on the diagonal. to yield 2 oversized triangles with basket handles. Note: Center seam allowance for both handles is included in the pattern. Pattern does not include seam allowance for appliqué.

Repeat Steps $1-5$ with remaining $91 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 91 / 2$ " squares to make a total of 28 basket handles.


Cut block in half on the diagonal Yield: 2 basket handle triangles

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## Constructon - cont.

## Star Blocks-Make 24

These blocks are also oversized and will be squared when appliqué is complete.

1. Mark the center of each 11 "x 11" background square. See Step1 on the previous page.
2. Use enclosed pattern to make a template to prepare stars from the assorted print fabrics.

For ease of handling, cut each fat quarter into 4-9"x11"rectangles.
3. Center star on background aligning point of star on diagonal line.
4. Appliqué star to background.


## Assemble Basket Blocks - cont.

1. To avoid mix ups layout block before beginning to piece.
2. Noting direction of triangles, stitch a triangle to the end of the $61 / 2 " \times 21 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ rectangles for basket "feet". Press toward rectangles. Set aside.
3. Referring to the diagram for placement and pressing direction, stitch the basket triangles together in horizontal rows. Sew the rows together.
4. Fold basket handle triangle in half and mark the center. Align center with basket center and stitch. Trim and square block to measure $81 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 81 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ with seams.
5. Add prepared rectangle/triangle units to opposite sides of pieced basket. Press toward rectangles.
6. Stitch $47 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ triangle to bottom of basket to complete the block. Basket Block should measure $101 / 2$ "x $101 / 2$ " with seams.
7. Repeat Steps 1-6 to make 25 Basket Blocks - 13 dark and 12 light.

For best cotor placement arrange quilt blocks on a design wall or the floor before beginning to assemble quilt.


Piece seven rows of seven blocks alternating basket and star blocks. Piece four rows beginning and ending with basket blocks and 3 rows beginning and ending with star blocks. Press rows toward arrows. Quilt top should measure $701 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 701 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ with seams.


Quilt top should measure $70^{1 ⁄ 2} 2^{\prime \prime} \times 70^{1 ⁄ 2}$ " with sea ms.


Basket block should measure $10^{1 / 2} \times 10^{1 ⁄ 2} / 2^{\prime \prime}$ with sea ms.

## Finishing

Using a diagonal seam, join the $8-2 \frac{1}{2} /{ }^{\prime \prime} x$ WOF strips end to end. Press seams open. Fold prepared strip in half wrong sides together and press to make the binding.

Layer, Quilt and Bind.

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he latest collection in the Collection for a Cause Series from Moda reproduces fabrics from a circa 1892 French mill book. The mill book contains hundreds of antique swatches documenting prints of the time. Authentic in color and in scale, this beautiful collection showcases the fine, delicate print quality of the period. The 1892 mill book is part of the Howard Marcus Collection.
Fabric Requirements $\qquad$
Basket Pairs - $1 / 4$ yd each


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## Stars - Fat Quarters <br>  <br> 46171-38 <br>  <br> 46203-18



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Fabric 20


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Fabric 21



Also needed:
Ha If Square Triangles on a Roll 2" Finished - Stock \# H2OO or Laundry Basket Quilt 2" Triangle Papers - Stock \# LBQ-0222

Optional - 22" fusible web for appliqué - 3½ yds. Template plastic

- Kit yardage may vary from amounts given on this project sheet.

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[^0]:    - Skill Level: Advanced Beginner

